## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

MICHAEL CONNELL AND

**TONGBI JIANG** 

**APPLICATION NO.:** 

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For:

**FABRICATION OF STACKED** MICROELECTRONIC DEVICES **EXAMINER:** 

MARK A. OSELE

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## **Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance**

Mail Stop Issue Fee **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed August 25, 2004, the Examiner allowed claims 11-23, 25, 26 and 50-57. Although the applicants' attorney agrees with the Examiner's conclusion that these claims are allowable, the applicants' attorney notes that the claims may be allowable for reasons other than those identified by the Examiner and does not concede that the Examiner's characterizations of the terms of the claims and the prior art are correct.

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